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## **Northwest Michigan to receive career development funds**

**Lansing** – Michigan Works! agencies in northwest Michigan will receive more than \$500,000 to fund career development programs for workers who lost jobs to overseas competition, Sen. Michelle McManus (R-Lake Leelanau) announced today.

“This money will help fund programs for northwest Michigan workers whose jobs have left the state,” McManus said. “The funding will help with things like training, job searches, and relocation, so they can get back on their feet again.”

Michigan Works! agencies across the state received a total of \$5.4 million to fund assistance programs for the approximately 1,075 workers who lost their jobs due to foreign competition from Oct. 1 through Nov. 14, 2003, according to the U.S. Department of Labor,

The funding was awarded as a part of the federal Trade Adjustment Assistance and North American Free Trade Agreement–Trade Adjustment Assistance programs.

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